

OFSRA NEWSLETTER

P. O. Box 116, Long Barn, CA 95335

June 2011

President Shaun Velayas Vice pres/Secretary Gloria

Harvey

Treasurer Del Wallis
Buildings Dick Barrett
Roads Larry Adams
Equipment Friedhelm Peter
Gate Bill Ordwein
Water Ron Hawke
Timber vacant

Health and Safety Larry Adams

REBEKAH DOGWOOD LODGE #200 meets the third Tuesday at 10:00 am in the Board room of the Lodge.

Thanks, to Rebekah for fertilizing the apple trees and purchasing new tables for the Lodge.

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE OFSRA BOARD of Directors The new web site and email should be operational soon.

To contact the board by phone call: Shaun Velayas at 916-532-0802 or Gloria Harvey at 209-586-6161

By mail:

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The Annual <u>CONSUMER</u>
<u>CONFIDENCE REPORT</u> has been prepared by Aqualab and will be available for review on the web when the web site is active.
An electronic or postal copy is available upon request.

President's Message

Summer is off to a slow start. As of this writing the grass is still green and the ground is wet. The new flagpole is up and the Bake Sale and Fish Derby were successful.

There are more people volunteering their service than ever before. The HOA board has a full 9 Members and this Board (Park Service/Park Maintenance) has 8. We do have an opening for one more person. The two boards have a lot of details to work out and we are all working hard to get to that end.

One of the things we will be deciding soon is how often to send out this newsletter. Now, that the HOA will be communicating with all the homeowners, this board will focus on serving its members and its customer the HOA board.

Please, come up, enjoy the park, volunteer and as always should you have any questions, issues or are just lonely you can call me on my cell phone (916) 532-0802.

Shaun Velayas

Lake Safety – *All children should be supervised at the lake*. Dogs are not permitted per the health department regulations. Fishing is permitted for anyone under 16 years of age.

FIRE WOOD CUTTING POLICY IN THE PARK. As stated in the November 2010, minutes, the board decided that it was more practical to allow woodcutting to occur where the wood fell. If a park tree is down and on park property, residents in the park are encouraged to cut it for use in the park. If in doubt, ask the caretaker to identify wood available for cutting. The board apologizes if this has caused confusion. The intention is to facilitate woodcutting for everyone and to eliminate unnecessary work for the

OPENING ON THE OFSRA BOARD- One opening exist for another member on the board. You are asked to consider serving the park. If you have questions you may contact any board member by mail

at: OFSRA Board, P. O. Box 116, Long Barn, CA 95335. or by phone: Shaun Velayas at 916-532-0802 or Gloria Harvey, 209-586-6161, If you are interested, please, submit a letter of

Next OFSRA meeting, July 23, 2011. 8:30 a.m. in the Board room of the Lodge.

OFSRA AGENDA June 25, 2011 Interim minutes

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 8:30 A.M.BY President Shaun Velayas

INVOCATION BY Ron Hawke

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Barrett, Wallis, Harvey, Hawke, Peter, Adams, Ordwein, Velayas

MEMBERS EXCUSED none

GUESTS PRESENT:

Charles Varvayanis- observer; Yvonne Peter-observer; Joe Garner- expressed concern about the ongoing issue of the caretaker removing snow from his driveway during the winter. His question was," What is the position of the Board regarding removing the large pile, ten to twelve feet at times, of snow that gets pushed into our driveway by the park snowplow during snow removal?" After discussion, the board agreed it is appropriate for the caretaker to remove the excessive berm of snow, to allow the homeowner access to his home when the owners arrive for a visit.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION by Hawke to approve the minutes of May 21, 2011, as written. SECOND by Barrett. MOTION carried.

Select a secretary:

Motion by Wallis to select Harvey as secretary. Seconded by Hawke, Motion carried.

DIRECTOR REPORTS:

water-Ron Hawke- Our response to the California State Department of Public Health, CSDPH, continues. The last task, an Emergency Chlorination Plan to be used if our system becomes contaminated, is in progress.

Our water testing lab, Aqua Lab, has issued our annual Consumer Confidence Report and will be posted on our website. An electronic or written version will be available upon request.

Investigation of repairs and refurbishment of the problems the divers found in our water tanks last July is still under consideration.

Near and far term system maintenance and improvements are in the planning stages.

There were no water leaks in May.

Water pumped for the month of May was 593,800 gallons.

Roads-Larry Adams asked for information regarding the five-year plan for 2011. Two bids have been received for crack sealing from Geo. Reed and Ken's Asphalt. There was discussion about purchasing equipment that would allow the caretaker to seal the cracks. Further information will be gathered. If possible it was suggested to rent the equipment for a year to see if it is reasonable to expect the caretaker to complete this task. Director Adams will also seek information about the benefits of fog seal or other sealing options. **Equipment** -Friedhelm Peter reported that the equipment is working well. The tractor that is used to pull the mower was overheating and spraying antifreeze. The caretaker and an assistant removed the radiators and cleaned them. The water pump was replaced. The tractor is now running well and will be used to mow the meadow.

The generator to run the water pumps is started monthly. An owners' manual will be acquired and manufacturer's directions for testing interval for the generator will be followed. The caretaker acquired, at no cost, a used string trimmer to facilitate trimming in tight places. The flagpole has been replaced. The Harveys donated a new flag.

Timber Director Harvey reported that the wood downed during the March storm will be taken to the mill in the next few weeks. A survey of other damaged trees will be completed to determine if some need to be removed for safety reasons. These will also be sold to the mill. Behind a residence on Sarah Circle, downed trees litter a culvert. Access with

equipment is not possible. An estimate from logger Brian Finigan to remove the debris should be available next week.

The board members requested that the newsletter contain a statement of the current wood cutting policy.

Gate- Bill Ordwein – reported that he is responsible for the gate operation. The gate needs three batteries replaced. The gate will be oiled and bearings need replacement. **Director Wallis moved that the bearing be repaired on the gate. Second by Hawke. Motion carried.**

Health and Safety-Larry Adams-Fire extinguishers will be serviced. The caretaker will arrange for this service. The extra portable potty will be returned.

Buildings-Dick Barrett reported: The railing on the stairs at the caretaker's cabin needs to be repaired. The caretaker will complete the project.

Finance-Del Wallis reported that due to the lack of cash on hand, \$20,000 was transferred out of the timber fund to cover the June bills. If payment is not received from the OFSHA in time, funds will be needed for the July bills.

Hawke moved that up to \$20,000 be available for use for July bills to be drawn from the Water reserves account, in increments of \$10,000. Second by Ordwein. Motion carried. Bills for the month were \$21,744, without including payroll. Peter moved to pay the bills. Second by Hawke. Motion carried.

Wallis suggested that in future newsletters, the check registers not be published. He felt that a check issued to an individual does not give the homeowner information regarding the expenditure. Ordwein moved that we drop publishing the ledger and instead issue a budget report starting next month. Second by Barrett. Motion carried. Old Business Report on last year's action items

- 1. Camp Cedarbrook- moved to closed session
- 2. Website-the OFSRA and OFSHA will share the same web page. After accessing www.sierrapark.org, the user will be directed to the OFSRA-ParkMgt@sierrapark.org site or the OFSHA@sierrapark.org. More information will be available at a later date.
- 3.Budget-Director Wallis recommended that the OFSRA accept the budget as proposed by the OFSHA. All agreed. Director Wallis stated that he will prepare a monthly budget based on cash flow. He asked each director to prepare a list of projects for the year. Dividing them into projects that must be done and other that would be nice to do. He will use the data to project the expenses to correspond with cash flow.
- 4. Dog Park- The caretaker will assume moving and watering the dog park.
- 5. Orchard- temporary sprinklers will be used until the caretaker can install underground lines.

New Business:

- 1. Date of next meeting is July 23, 2011.
- 2. List of OFSRA share holders- Harvey will prepare an updated list based on the available data.
- 3. Newsletter-the OFSRA will publish a newsletter for all homeowners for the next two months. Then will revisit the issue and determine if a monthly or quarterly newsletter is needed.
- 4. Building items to be considered this year: Barrett listed four items to be addressed this year: 1. Repair dry rot on caretaker's cabin, 2. Repair dry rot on lodge building, 3. Install drainage system to keep water from the lodge building, 4. Install lights in the corporation building- to be completed by the caretaker. Bids will be obtained for the first three items.

Meeting adjourned to executive session at: 11:10 am Regular session reopened at: 12:15 pm.

President Velayas announced the following actions were taken in executive session:

Recordings of the OFSRA regular monthly meeting will not be posted to the web site. President Velayas will be in charge of the caretaker.

There has been a disruption in the productivity of the caretaker due to issues with a homeowner(s). This is not appropriate and if it continues the board will investigate further options.

Meeting adjourned: 12:20 pm. Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Harvey Secretary of OFSRA

MEET YOUR OFSRA DIRECTORS

Shaun Velayas has owned a small mortgage company in Fair oaks, CA for about 15 years. He and his fabulous Wife Claire have owned a lot in the park since 2003 and completed the building of their cabin in 2006. They are in the park most weekends with their two daughters for lots of fun motorcycling in the summer and skiing at Dodge in the winter.

Del Wallis was not available for comment, but he has served on the board of the park for many years. His contributions are highly valued.

Gloria Harvey has lived in the park since 1990 with her husband Wayne. They have five children and three grandchildren. She is a retired educator and has worked with students from age 8 to adult.

Friedhelm Peter immigrated to California from Germany with his family in 1957. He attended schools in San Francisco. For many years he operated commercial bakeries or provided supplies to bakeries. He and his wife Yvonne, have owned property in the park since 1978. In 1990s they expanded their cabin for a retirement home. They moved into the park full time in 2009.

Ron Hawke is a fifth generation Californian. He and his wife Nancy first owned a cabin on Esther in 1983; they later built their present home on East Jordan Way. They moved here after Ron retired from the University of California's Lawrence Livermore Lab in 1995. They raised five daughters who have provided them with 10 grandchildren. While Nancy parented the girls, Ron had fun blowing things up and calling it "Experimental Physics". Ron and Nancy both enjoy travel, camping and flying their small Grumman plane out of Columbia airport.

Dick Barrett was born in Syracuse, NY, received his BSEE (Bachelor of Science/Electrical Engineering) from Syracuse University in 1961. He has held a variety of positions associated with computer systems in aviation and banking. Dick and his wife Irene retired in 2000. They have two children and 3 grandchildren. They purchased their home in the Park in 1990.

Larry Adams Larry Adams is married, has one daughter and two grandsons. They have had a home in the park since 1969. He served on the board during the 1990s, retired 1996 from the Naval Air Station in Alameda after 34 years as a manufacturing planner. They have lived in their present home in San Lorenzo for 43 years.

Bill Ordwein: Bill and his wife Heidi have been Odd Fellows Sierra Park property owners for over 25 years and now are full time residents. He is a retired Information Technology Director for a number of Silicon Valley software companies. Currently continuing as a volunteer to assist American Red Cross National Head Quarters teams with the implementation of various applications. Education: BS and MS from University of San Francisco.

ODD FELLOWS SIERRA RECREATION ASSOCIATION, INC.

Account QuickReport As of July 1, 2011

Type	Date	Num	Name	Split	Amount	Balance
						12,756.54
Check	05/26/2011	1789	Mark Higgins, Jr.	728 · Employee Benefits	-80.04	12,676.50
Paycheck	06/03/2011	1790	Higgins, Jr., Mark K.	payroll	-1,133.98	11,542.52
Paycheck	06/03/2011	1791	Jones (employee), Larry D.	payroll	-398.22	11,144.30
Check	06/03/2011	1792	Glenn S. Caldwell Insurance Services	ins.	-10,294.56	849.74
Check	06/03/2011	1793	Great American Insurance Co.	744 · Insurance	-1,418.00	-568.26
Check	06/03/2011	1101	Odd Fellows Sierra Recreation Assn.	133 · Oak Valley Community Bank M.M.	12,000.00	11,431.74
Liability Check	06/06/2011	1794	EDD	payroll tax	-65.79	11,365.95
Check	06/13/2011	1795	Calaveras Trout Farm	731 · Fish Derby	-1,375.00	9,990.95
Check	06/14/2011	1796	Dambacher, Trujilli & Wright	755 · Professional Services	-3,000.00	6,990.95
Liability Check	06/15/2011	eftps	Oak Valley Bank	payroll tax	-706.82	6,284.13
Paycheck	06/17/2011	1797	Higgins, Jr., Mark K.	payroll	-1,038.96	5,245.17
Paycheck	06/17/2011	1798	Jones (employee), Larry D.	payroll	-293.43	4,951.74
Check	06/23/2011	1799	Mark Higgins, Jr.	728 · Employee Benefits	-32.21	4,919.53
Check	06/24/2011	1800	Anthem Blue Cross	728 · Employee Benefits	-1,354.00	3,565.53
Check	06/24/2011	1801	Sonora Regional Medical Center	728 · Employee Benefits	-105.01	3,460.52
Check	06/28/2011	1802	Ace Tree Service	780 · General Park Maintenance	-1,850.00	1,610.52
Check	06/28/2011	1803	Angels Pest Control	772 · Maintain Buildings	-130.00	1,480.52
Check	06/28/2011	1804	AquaLab	794 · Water Testing & Fees	-560.00	920.52
Check	06/28/2011	1805	AT&T	phones	-115.13	805.39
Check	06/28/2011	1806	Carlson, Haff & Associates	756 · Accounting Services	-1,448.40	-643.01
Check	06/28/2011	1807	El Dorado Septic Service, Inc.	740 · Health & Safety	-399.44	-1,042.45
Check	06/28/2011	1808	Hoge, Fenton, Jones & Appel, Inc.	755 · Professional Services	-2,720.00	-3,762.45
Check	06/28/2011	1809	J. S. West	792 · Utilities	-418.80	-4,181.25
Check	06/28/2011	1810	J. E. Muggleton Consulting	755 · Professional Services	-40.00	-4,221.25
Check	06/28/2011	1811	Krawchuk, Paul	794 · Water Testing & Fees	-425.00	-4,646.25
Check	06/28/2011	1812	Mike's Mowers	773 · Maintain Equipment	-43.25	-4,689.50
Check	06/28/2011	1813	Modesto Welding Products	781 · Supplies Shop	-72.44	-4,761.94
Check	06/28/2011	1814	PG&E	utilities	-907.99	-5,669.93
Check	06/28/2011	1815	Peter, Friedhelm	773 · Maintain Equipment	-165.07	-5,835.00
Check	06/28/2011	1816	Sierra Instant Printing	newsletter, signature stamp	-252.74	-6,087.74
Check	06/28/2011	1817	Roger A. Brown	755 · Professional Services	-702.00	-6,789.74
Check	06/28/2011	1818	Sonora Rentals & Sales	730 · Equipment Rental	-137.50	-6,927.24
Check	06/28/2011	1819	Trotter Welding & Steel Supply	780 · General Park Maintenance	-379.06	-7,306.30
Check	06/28/2011	1820	USF Insurance Company	784 · Settlement expense	-500.00	-7,806.30
Check	06/28/2011	1821	Wallace, Steve	mileage, maintenance	-115.11	-7,921.41

9:16 AM 06/29/11 Accrual Basis

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Check	06/28/2011	1822	Waste Management of Cal Sierra Corp.	736 · Garbage	-901.27	-8,822.68
Check	06/28/2011	1823	Zaks	773 · Maintain Equipment	-444.68	-9,267.36
Check	06/28/2011	1102	Odd Fellows Sierra Recreation Assn.	133 · Oak Valley Community Bank M.M.	20,000.00	10,732.64
Paycheck	07/01/2011	1824	Higgins, Jr., Mark K.	payroll	-1,110.45	9,622.19
Paycheck	07/01/2011	1825	Jones (employee), Larry D.	payroll	-356.29	9,265.90
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